

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action dated July 14, 2010.

Claims 1, 8, 15, and 21 are amended; claims 2-3, 13-14, 16-17, 19, and 23 were previously canceled, without prejudice to or disclaimer by the Applicant; as a result, claims 1, 4-12, 15, 18, 20-22, and 24-26 are now pending in this application.

Example support for the amendments may be found throughout the original filed specification. By way of example only, the learned Examiner's attention is directed to the original filed specification page 7 lines 14-27; page 10 lines 14-21; page 11 lines 3-12; and page 12 line 30 to page 13 line 5.

The Rejection of Claims Under § 103

Claims 1, 4-15, 17, 18, 20-22, and 24-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over "The Netscape Proxy Server Version 3.5 for Unix Administrator's Guide" (hereinafter, "Netscape") in view of Green et al. (U.S. Patent 6,003,084) in view of Charietal. (U.S. Patent 7,430,757) in view of Ackaouy et al. (U.S. Patent 7,552,223). Obviousness requires that each and every element be taught or suggested in the proposed combination of references.

The proposed combination does not show or suggest that a proxy initially establishes an anonymous SSL handshake with a client via a temporary connection where a request is received and the header parsed to acquire an identity for an external site and where the temporary connection is discontinued once the identity of the external site is acquired. This level of security and anonymity is not shown or suggested in the proposed combination of references.

As such, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections of record be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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